

Politics Out for General

McArthur Avers Aussies' Effort In War Supreme

By C. YATES McDANIEL

GEN. MACARTHUR'S HEAD-QUARTERS, Australia, Thursday, Oct. 29—(AP)—Gen. Douglas MacArthur Thursday disavowed that he had any "political ambitions whatsoever" and said that "the only hope and ambition I have in the world is for victory for our cause in the war."

Soldier Only



GEN. DOUGLAS MACARTHUR Disavows political plans

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Auxiliary Furnishing Of Day Rooms Gets Many Pledges

Church groups lead all other organizations within the city to date in pledging their efforts to furnish day rooms at Camp Adair, sub-committees reporting Wednesday night at a division meeting of the county camp and hospital committee indicated.

Ten churches are on the "sure" list, the division workers were told, while others are checking their resources, planning to furnish either one room apiece or a portion of the night for a room. No organization is to provide more than the auxiliary furnishings for the day rooms, or parlors, which serve as rest and recreation centers near the barracks.

Oregon Flier Helps Sink Jap Ships

SAN DIEGO, Calif., Oct. 28 (AP)—Four marine corps fliers, whose exploits in the Pacific ranged from sinking several Japanese warships despite fierce anti-aircraft fire to thwarting enemy efforts to reinforce Guadalcanal units, are relaxing here before returning to the war zone.

They are Maj. Leo R. Smith, 29, Portland, Ore., and R. J. Morrell, Jr., 29, San Diego; Capt. B. Prosser, 27, McMinnville, Ore., and Daniel Iverson, Jr., 26, Miami, Fla.

State Scrap Pile At 80,000 Tons

PORTLAND, Oct. 29—(AP)—Oregon's scrap pile weighed an estimated 80,000 tons Wednesday, just 20,000 short of the state's goal.

Jeffers Sees Rubber Supply

BALTIMORE, Oct. 28—(AP)—William M. Jeffers, national rubber administrator, predicted Wednesday night that by the middle of 1944 the United States would have an adequate supply of rubber substitutes and that never again would this country be dependent upon crude rubber from Malaya.

Russians Sustain Reverses

Azis Make 2nd Advance; Allies Win Tank Clash

At the start of the 66th day of the battle of Stalingrad Wednesday night, the military position of the Russian defenders was slowly but progressively worsening. There also was a Russian reverse in the deep Caucasus, where the Germans reached the Nalchik plateau in a new flanking offensive.

The midnight communique from Moscow reported a 200-yard gain for the Germans in the northern factory district; the Wednesday noon communique had acknowledged German infantry-tank advances along two streets. There was no question but that these advances were costly; however, they further compressed the Russian defenders in their narrow corridor on the west bank of the Volga.

On the Egyptian desert the British eighth army hammered through its fifth day of attack after winning its first sizable clash of armor, and the allied gouge in the deep axis positions was growing slowly but surely wider and deeper. Instrumental in this preliminary process of penetration was the day and night barrage maintained by massed British artillery, plus the well-nigh perfect partnership of British, American and imperial air forces.

Appeasers Flailed by President

WASHINGTON, Oct. 28—(AP)—President Roosevelt struck out at appeasers and compromisers Wednesday night in a message praising the Greek people on the second anniversary of their resistance to axis aggression.

In a letter to the Greek ambassador, he recalled that on October 28, 1940, the Italian fascists handed an ultimatum to Greece.

"When the Greek mainland was overrun," he said, "resistance was carried on from the islands. When the islands fell, resistance continued from Africa, from the seas, from anywhere the aggressor could be met."

Marines Arrive In British Isles

LONDON, Oct. 29—(AP)—Additional units of United States marines led by Col. William T. Clement, a Bataan-Corregidor hero, have arrived in the British Isles and are at battle stations, the US marine corps headquarters reported Wednesday night.

Allies Push Forward in Desert



Allied troops, spearheading the current allied drive against axis forces in the North African desert, stand over the body of a German soldier slain in the allied capture of a strong point in the German-Italian line, as they examine captured axis equipment. This is one of the first pictures of the new allied campaign, and was sent by radio from Cairo to the United States.—Associated Press Teletext.

Don't Help the Enemy By Usual Halloween Tricks, Warns Uncle

By KENNETH L. DIXON

WASHINGTON, Oct. 28—(AP)—The best way to help the enemy, children, is to go out and celebrate Halloween as usual this Saturday night.

With those gentle words, Uncle Sam sorrowfully warned his juvenile nieces and nephews Wednesday that about the only way they could hobnob with the hobgoblins on the coming All-Hallow's eve was to stay at home and make faces at each other.

In Washington, they weren't even able to don masks and wander abroad this year. Dragging an old law out of the mothballs of Ku-Klux-Klan days, the police department warned that masked individuals will be suspected as saboteurs and dealt with as such — boom, boom!

At the same time, high government officials who, for reasons possibly involving votes of 1955 or thereabouts, preferred not to be quoted by name, asked the country's children to remember that the old gag of letting air out of tires is nothing short of sabotage itself, this year.

Furthermore, they pointed out, ringing doorbells will ruin the sleep of many a war worker and thus slow down the flow of munitions to the fighting men.

Waking someone in the wee, sma' hours with a telephone call is no longer funny when the wires already are jammed with messages.

Soaping windows is using up a war-vital material, since soap's ingredients also go into high explosives. (Of course, this can be used as anti-bath propaganda, boys.)

Grabbing gates also is bad business, since if they can be dispensed with they should be in the scrap pile, and if not someone is going to lose plenty of war-vital hours hunting them.

Nazi Saboteur Closes Story

CHICAGO, Oct. 28—(AP)—Ernest Peter Burger, one of the eight Nazi saboteurs who were smuggled into the United States by submarines, finished his story of the plot Wednesday with a display of anger over the question of whether he had saved his skin by turning against his confederates.

He was on the witness stand at the trial of six German-Americans on treason charges when defense attorney, Paul Warnholtz, asked: "Were you promised immunity if you testified against other members at the military commission trial in Washington?"

Enemy Troop Casualties Far Exceed Americans'; Airmen Bomb 2 Ships

Warship Hit, Blazes Set At Rabaul

Guinea Push Gains; Showdown Seen In Solomons

GEN. MACARTHUR'S HEAD-QUARTERS, Australia, Thursday, Oct. 29—(AP)—Allied bombers winging far north of hotly-contested Guadalcanal in the Solomons hit a Japanese warship and another vessel at Rabaul, New Britain, and started fires visible for 80 miles at Buka, another enemy base, a communique said Thursday.

GOP Leaders Assert Aims

Snell Says Keeping Of Representative System Essential

Staunch belief in the two-party system of state and national government was voiced by candidates and other speakers at the pre-election open meeting of republican party groups and others interested at the Marion hotel Wednesday night.

Boy Escapee Caught When Autos Crash

PORTLAND, Oct. 28—(AP)—Portland police jailed a youth Wednesday night after a downtown automobile chase that resulted in two traffic accidents which hospitalized seven persons.

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CHICAGO, Oct. 28—(AP)—Rear Adm. W. H. P. Blandy said Wednesday that "since December 7, more Americans have been permanently disabled by accidents on the home front than the total of our military losses, wounded, captured and killed in action."

Lumber Labor Appeals Wage

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 28—(AP)—The newly created west coast lumber commission took under advisement Wednesday the appeal of 70,000 sawmill and timber workers in the northwest's Douglas fir industry for more pay.

Four cases involving wage disputes in Oregon and Washington were consolidated, and the commission heard final testimony from AFL and CIO representatives of the workers. The unions were allowed a week to reply to contentions of employers opposing the requested wage increases.

Bucharest Alert; Helsinki Raided By Soviet Planes

LONDON, Thursday, Oct. 29 (AP)—The Vichy radio said that a half hour air raid alert occurred Wednesday night in Bucharest, capital of Rumania.

HELSENKI, Oct. 28—(AP)—Russian bombers raided Helsinki twice Wednesday night.

This was the first time the Finnish capital had been attacked since August, when two large-scale raids were made.

Eleanor Tires Companions

Britons Amazed at Stamina Shown by Honored Tourist

LONDON, Oct. 28—(AP)—Englishmen are incredulous over "the eternal stamina of the woman."

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt had had that effect on them since her arrival in Britain five days ago.

The personal charm of America's first lady has evoked pleased exclamations everywhere, but it is her tireless activity and the effortless way in which she spends whole days wearing out shoe leather visiting war establishments that has caused them to tip their hats in admiration.

In less than a week Mrs. Roosevelt has covered perhaps as much as a thousand miles just on jaunts around London. She has been on the go from as early as 7 a. m., to as late as 2 a. m., and appeared in half a dozen different places in a day. Not only this, but she has displayed as much enthusiasm watching girls tinkering with gasoline engines at 7 o'clock in the evening as she did at one o'clock in the morning.

The effects of the pace have begun to tell on her two Scotland Yard escorts. Veterans with years of leg work behind them, they are shifting ruefully from one tired "dog" to another.

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Liberty Statue Lighted Briefly

NEW YORK, Oct. 28—(AP)—For the first time since Pearl Harbor the torch atop the Statue of Liberty Wednesday flashed seaward its traditional message of freedom and equality.

Seven-year-old Charmaine Stedler, whose father is in the forces of the Fighting French, pressed the button lighting the torch briefly in commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the French republic's presentation of the statue to the United States.

Guadalcanal Fight Lulls For Breather

Congressmen Urge United War Force; Mott Joins Call

By RICHARD L. TURNER

WASHINGTON, Oct. 28—(AP)—Japanese trying to take the vital airfield on Guadalcanal are being mowed down in far greater numbers than the American defenders, the navy announced Wednesday in a communique which also described the damage to enemy equipment as "very heavy."

Possibly because of the losses they have suffered since they launched their full-scale offensive on October 23, the Japanese reduced their operations on the night of October 26-27 to several "small scale thrusts" against the American positions. All of these attacks were thrown back.

Otherwise, naval officers interpreted a communique making these announcements Wednesday as indicating that the fighting in the Solomons was in a lull. They emphasized, however, that there was nothing to indicate that Japanese naval forces had withdrawn from the area of the fighting.

After a series of furious sea battles which erupted at several points in the vicinity of the Solomons over the weekend, it was only natural that both sides should be catching their breath and taking stock of the resulting situation.

Describing the losses in the land fighting, the communique said: "Enemy losses in men and equipment in troop actions on the island since October 23 have been very heavy as compared to our own."

Naval officers added to this the information that American losses have been light.

Detroit Bus, Train Crash Fatal to 16

DETROIT, Oct. 28—(AP)—Sixteen persons were killed and more than a score injured, several critically, Wednesday when a Detroit street railway's motorbus, jammed in its doors with school children, office workers and factory employees, was ripped in two by a passenger train.

The locomotive of the Chicago-Detroit train sliced through the rear end of the bus, hurled the front end to one side, scattered bodies along the right of way for two blocks and ground to a stop a quarter mile away with the bodies of six youths mangled against the front of its boiler.

Suburban Hamtramck police took into custody for questioning the bus driver, William F. Cloe, 25, who has been a regular motor driver.

Fred A. Nolan, general manager of the municipally owned DSR transportation system, said the accident was the worst in the system's history. Mayor Edward J. Jeffries ordered a complete investigation.

Plan Female Marines

PITTSBURGH, Oct. 28—(AP)—Rear Adm. Randall Jacobs, chief of navy personnel, said Wednesday the US marine corps, as well as the coast guard, plans to enlist women.